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SYNOPSIS

Appropriates \$2.94 million from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues for recreation and conservation purposes to DEP for State capital and park development projects.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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AN ACT appropriating \$2,940,000 from constitutionally dedicated corporation business tax revenues for the development of lands by the State for recreation and conservation purposes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

- 1. a. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental Protection the sum of \$2,940,000 for the development of lands by the State for recreation and conservation purposes in accordance with the provisions of the "Preserve New Jersey Act," P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-43 et seq.), as follows:
- (1) \$2,903,000 from dedicated corporation business tax revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section II, paragraph 6 of the State Constitution in the "Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund," established pursuant to section 6 of the "Preserve New Jersey Act," P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-48); and
 - (2) \$37,000 from the unexpended balances in the Diesel Risk Mitigation Fund Constitutional Dedication account and the Diesel Risk Mitigation Administrative Costs Constitutional Dedication account made available for this purpose pursuant to the provisions of P.L.2018, c.53.
 - b. The funds appropriated pursuant to subsection a. of this section shall be allocated as follows:

Project Amount

CAMPING DEVELOPMENT

30	Camping, Cabin/Shelter Program	\$600,000
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32	INFRASTRUCTURE	
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34	Building Repairs and Renovations	400,000
35	Health and Life Safety Projects	400,000
36	Historic Structure Stabilization and Repairs	400,000
37	Recreational Development	218,000
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39	PALISADES INTERSTATE PARK COMMISSION	375,000
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OTHER

42	Contingency Fund for Repairs	400,000
43	Administration	147,000

TOTAL \$2,940,000

c. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection e. of section 6 of P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-48) or any other law to the contrary, the expenditure of funds pursuant to this section shall not require the approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee, or its successor. The department may reallocate funds among the projects identified in subsection b. of this section, subject to the approval of the

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- 1 Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting in the 2 Department of the Treasury. The department shall send written 3 notification of any such reallocation of funds to the President of the 4 Senate, the Speaker of the General Assembly, the Legislative 5 Budget and Finance Officer, the Joint Budget Oversight Committee, or its successor, and the Chairs of the Senate Environment and 6 7 Energy Committee and Assembly Environment and Solid Waste 8 Committee, or their respective successor committees. 9 10 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the "Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund," established pursuant to 11 section 6 of the "Preserve New Jersey Act," P.L.2016, c.12 12 (C.13:8C-48), the sum of \$2,903,000 to implement the provisions of 13 14 section 1 of this act. 15 16 3. This act shall take effect immediately. 17 18 19 **STATEMENT** 20 21 This bill appropriates the sum of \$2.940 million to the 22 Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to provide funding 23 for capital projects and park development on lands administered by 24 the DEP's Division of Parks and Forestry and Division of Fish and 25 Wildlife pursuant to the "Preserve New Jersey Act," P.L.2016, c.12 26 (C.13:8C-43 et seq.). 27 The funding in this bill is provided from constitutionally dedicated corporation business tax (CBT) revenues pursuant to 28 29 Article VIII, Section II, paragraph 6 of the State Constitution, 30 approved by the voters of the State in November 2014, including 31 \$37,000 from the from the unexpended balances in the Diesel Risk 32 Mitigation Fund - Constitutional Dedication account and the Diesel 33 Risk Mitigation Administrative Costs - Constitutional Dedication 34 account made available for this purpose pursuant to the provisions
- of P.L.2018, c.53 (i.e., the FY2019 annual appropriations act). The 36 "Preserve New Jersey Act" implements, for State fiscal years 2017
- 37 through 2019, the constitutional dedication of CBT revenues for
- 38 open space, farmland, and historic preservation. The "Preserve
- 39 New Jersey Green Acres Fund" was established by section 6 of the
- 40 "Preserve New Jersey Act."

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41 The projects and appropriations listed in this bill have been 42 approved by the DEP and the Garden State Preservation Trust.